

Severe Quake Rocks Greece, Rips Homes

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — A severe earthquake shook most of Greece for 20 seconds today, toppling homes in some areas. One death was reported.

The massive temblor here was accompanied by strong tremors across Southern Italy, where a quake last week took 20 lives. Some injuries but no deaths were reported in Italy and officials said initial checks indicated damage there was slight.

Nine Injured

Nine persons were injured in Naples when they fell as they rushed from their homes. Naples hospitals said five other persons suffered shock or heart attacks.

On the Amalfi Coast of Italy where Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy is vacationing, the quake was barely felt. The American first lady was sightseeing in the Amalfi Cathedral and did not notice the disturbance.

The Athens Seismological Service said the quake centered 65 miles southwest of Athens. That would put the epicenter at the town of Nafplion, in the eastern Peloponnese.

Man Killed

Reports reaching Athens from ancient Corinth said a man, 90, was killed in the collapse of his home. In Patrai, Greece's third largest port, a number of homes were destroyed.

No damage to the Acropolis or the Parthenon, the ancient ruins on the hillside overlooking Athens, was apparent.

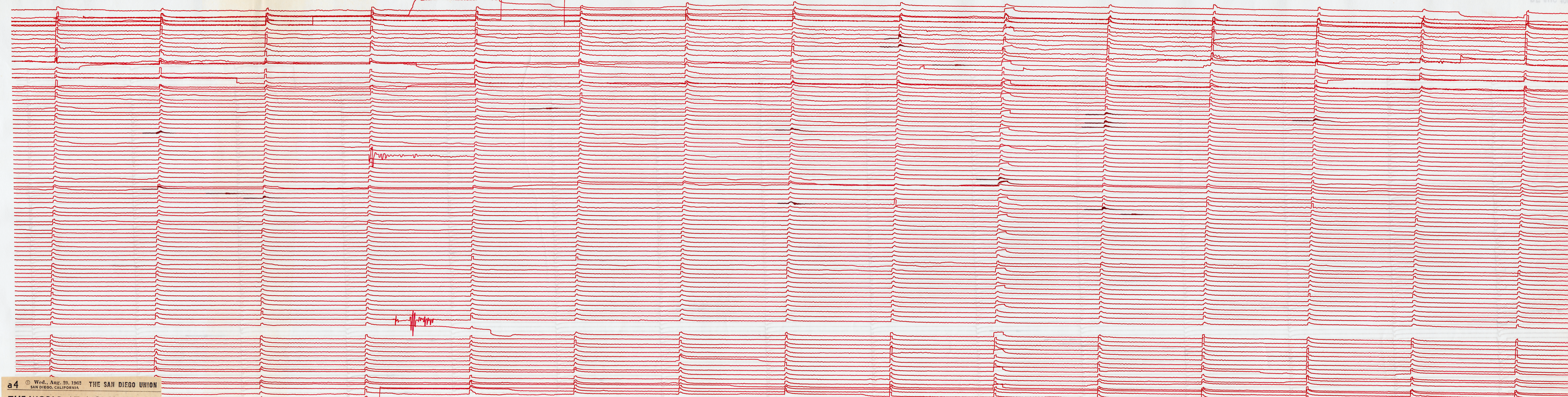
The quake struck the Peloponnese Peninsula. It was also recorded on the island of Crete and in Southern Greece. Police said they were unable to get word on the extent of destruction and casualties because all communications south of Corinth were disrupted.

Thousands Flee

Across the Adriatic, the trembling of the earth was felt in a belt from Bari, in the heel of the Italian Boot, to Naples, on the West Coast. Thousands fled into the streets in panic.

At Bari, damage apparently was limited to a few cracks in buildings and the falling of two cornice stones.

A post office was damaged in a village near Bari. A cornice stone fell at Nocera Inferiore, north of the Amalfi Peninsula. In Cosenza, in Calabria, a building being demolished collapsed. Eight workmen escaped injury.



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An earthquake jolted southern Greece, parts of Italy, Sicily, Crete and Malta yesterday, killing one person, a Greek, causing panic and toppling homes in Greece. The Mediterranean quake also shook parts of the United Arab Republic, collapsing four homes near Cairo. Elsewhere the damage of the 20-second temblor was reported to be slight.

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